as world class airport through Joint Venture route. Nagpur airport has been upgraded to international standard and Aurangabad airport is being upgraded to international standard with the assistance of Japan Bank of International Cooperation (JBIC). The Government of Maharashtra also has a plan to upgrade the Nagpur airport into an international passenger and Cargo hub.

(d) Airlines plan their operations for any sector on the basis of commercial and operational viability subject to route dispersal guidelines issued by the Government.

New Airport in Uttar Pradesh

†1401. DR. AKHTAR HASAN RIZVI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to construct any new airport in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDI):(a) and (b) AAI has no proposal at present to construct new airport in Uttar Pradesh. However, Government of Uttar Pradesh have proposed for development of a new Taj International Airport and Aviation Hub near village Jewar in Bulandshahar District of Uttar Pradesh, for which Technical approval of the site has been granted.

(c) Does not arise.

Air Trafic at Bangalore Airport

1402. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of international flights which have been arriving Bangalore International Airport everyday;

(b) whether the State Government of Karnataka has requested the Central Government to arrange the arrival timings in such a way as to

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

provide better service to passengers and cut unnecessary delays; and

(c) if so, the action, if any, taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDI):(a)The number of international flights arriving at Bangalore International airport everyday is 7 on Monday, 6 on Tuesday, 7 on Wednesday, 9 on Thursday, 7 on Friday, 9 on Saturday and 10 on Sunday.

(b) No request to arrange the arrival timings of flights has so far been received.

(c) Does not arise.

Air services in Madhya Pradesh

1403. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Madhya Pradesh is not properly linked by air services;

(b) whether Government propose to start flights on a priority basis;

(c) if so, by when, and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDI):(a) At present following scheduled air services are available in the State of Madhya Pradesh:-

Alliance Air

Delhi-Bhopal-Indore-Mumbai & Return	Daily
Delhi-Agra-Khajuraho-Varanasi & Return	Daily

Jet Airways

Mumbai-Indore-Mumbai	Twice Daily
Delhi-Indore-Bhopal-Delhi	Daily
Delhi-Bhopal-Indore-Delhi	6 flights/week
Delhi-Varanasi-Khajuraho & Return	Daily